

Revised: September 17, 2015

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
for the  
FOURTH MEETING  
of the  
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**September 30-October 2, 2015  
Shiprock, Red Valley, Huerfano**

**Wednesday, September 30 — John Pinto Library, Diné College, Shiprock**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Call to Order**  
                          —Senator John Pinto, Co-Chair, Indian Affairs Committee
- 10:10 a.m.       (1)   [Welcome and Status Update](#)  
                          —Dr. Maggie George, President, Diné College
- 11:00 a.m.       (2)   [Ute Mountain Ute: Tribal Update](#)  
                          —Manuel Heart, Chair, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe
- 12:00 noon       (3)   [Working Lunch: Road N57 Project and New Senior Center Building](#)  
                          —Carol Etcitty-Roger, President, Gadii'ahi/Tó Koi Chapter President
- 12:30 p.m.       (4)   [Working Lunch: Upper Fruitland Senior Citizens' Building](#)  
                          —Lenora Williams, Vice President, Upper Fruitland Chapter (invited)
- 1:00 p.m.        (5)   [San Juan Generating Station: Past, Present and Future](#)  
                          —Ryan C. Flynn, Secretary of Environment  
                          —Noah Long, Legal Director, Western Energy Project, Energy and  
                              Transportation Program, Natural Resources Defense Council  
                          —Ron Darnell, Senior Vice President of Public Policy, PNM Resources  
                          —Cathy Newby, Director of Tribal Government and Customer Engagement,  
                              PNM Resources
- 3:15 p.m.           **Public Comment**
- 4:00 p.m.           **Recess**

**Thursday, October 1 — Red Valley Chapter House**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Reconvene**  
                          —Senator John Pinto, Co-Chair, Indian Affairs Committee

- 10:05 a.m. (6) [Invocation, Welcome and Status Update](#)  
—Lee Zhonnie, President, Red Valley Chapter
- 11:00 a.m. (7) [School Bus Transportation Issues](#)  
—Larry Ute Joe, Senior Planner, Navajo Division of Transportation
- 12:00 noon (8) [Working Lunch: Shiprock Historical Society, Inc., Historical Museum](#)  
—GloJean Todacheene, President, Shiprock Historical Society, Inc.  
—Eugene B. Joe, Chief Executive Officer, Shiprock Historical Society, Inc.
- 12:30 p.m. (9) [Working Lunch: Newcomb Chapter Request](#)  
—Lawrence John, Manager, Newcomb Chapter
- 1:00 p.m. (10) [The Impact of Uranium Mining and Cleanup Activities in the Grants Mineral Belt](#)  
—Fernando Martinez, Director, Mining and Minerals Division, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD)  
—Paul Robinson, Research Director, Southwest Information and Research Center  
—Jordon Johnson, Coordinator, McKinley Community Place Matters
- 3:00 p.m. (11) [Kirtland Youth Association Request](#)  
—Charles W. Kromer, Jr., Executive Director, Kirtland Youth Association
- 3:30 p.m. **Recess**

**Friday, October 2 — Huerfano Chapter House**

- 9:00 a.m. **Reconvene**  
—Senator John Pinto, Co-Chair, Indian Affairs Committee
- 9:05 a.m. (12) [Invocation, Welcome and Status Update](#)  
—Wilson Ray, Sr., President, Huerfano Chapter
- 10:00 a.m. (13) [Venting and Flaring](#)  
—Jon Goldstein, Senior Energy Policy Manager, Environmental Defense Fund
- 11:00 a.m. (14) [Allottees: A Conversation about Oil and Gas Development on the Checkerboard Lands](#)  
—Etta Arviso, Navajo Allottee and Board Member, Diné Medicine Man Association  
—Samuel Sage, Navajo Allottee and Community Services Coordinator, Counselor Chapter  
—Delora Hesuse, Navajo Allottee

- 12:00 noon            **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.            (15) [\*\*Oil and Gas Industry Perspective on Oil and Gas Development in the Region\*\*](#)  
—Wally Drangmeister, Director of Communications, New Mexico Oil and Gas Association  
—Virgil Chavez, Superintendent of Capital Projects, ConocoPhillips Company
- 2:00 p.m.            (16) [\*\*Environmental Perspective on Oil and Gas Development in the Region\*\*](#)  
—Colleen Cooley, Diné Citizens Against Ruining Our Environment
- 3:00 p.m.            (17) [\*\*Executive Branch Perspective on Oil and Gas Development in the Region\*\*](#)  
—David Catanach, Director, Oil Conservation Division, EMNRD (invited)
- 4:00 p.m.            (18) [\*\*Federal Government Perspective on Oil and Gas Development in the Region\*\*](#)  
—Johnna Oberly, Director, Federal Indian Minerals Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs  
—Victoria Barr, Farmington District Manager, U.S. Bureau of Land Management
- 5:00 p.m.            **Adjourn**